

A Weekend Update from Holland Moor- Saturday January 08



Welcome and some technical information.

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I am delighted with the way our children have settled into the new term. Classes have been very calm and some great learning has taken place. This week the children have completed lots of art activities stimulated by the work of the Russian artist Liubev Kuptsova and taken part in lessons reinforcing their understanding of learning powers, growth mindsets, zones of regulation and bucket filling. Of course there's been plenty of maths and English too.

COVID 19



Our 'cautious' approach to the new term has helped us all remain safe. We have had just 6 children absent with COVID but 19 children isolating due to a positive case in the household. Such isolating is not always necessary but I have been happy to support parents and carers who have preferred to act in this way. Whilst the COVID rules are becoming a little more relaxed they are also become rather more detailed and perhaps complicated. I'm happy to take calls from 06.45 any morning and will reply to an email at virtually any time. If you have any COVID queries please contact me.

The Alder Hey Symptom Checker – Here's the link

https://alderhey.nhs.uk/symptom-checker?fbclid=IwAR3R0yL_436LGljWi87oQtwH9FedcxNUYwTCfGNKPeIT_I-6e3ttPF-k2Cc

Remote Learning

Please remember that if your child is isolating at home they can access live, streamed lessons direct from their own classroom using Google Classrooms. We have done this very successfully from Year 5

and 6 recently. Any time you want to access such lessons please ring school and we can stream to you immediately.

Medical Tracker

From Monday January 10 we will be recording any incidents that require first aid electronically. On any occasion this happens you will be sent an email or text. If a head injury happens you will still be phoned and given the opportunity to come into school if you wish to check your child out.

Attendance



Wednesday attendance was 92.4. Thursday attendance was 93.1 and Friday attendance was 91.6% These figures are rather low.

Parking

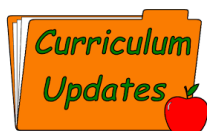
We've had a few incidents lately when local residents have been blocked in by parked cars or by cars left in precarious places at dropping off times. Please be considerate about where cars are placed.

January 2022 Colouring Competition



The first colouring competition of the new term is now open. Sheets can be collected from Mr Beale or the school office.

Curriculum Information for this half term



Nursery 2 and Nursery 3

This half term the children will be completing lots of exciting activities based on our theme of 'Water' including investigating where you find water in the environment and how to make it move fast and slow through a channel. The Nursery staff will also be setting the children a challenge to make a rainbow using paper towels, food colouring and water! We will be continuing to develop our listening skills and begin to think about how we can make sounds using different parts of our body. New to this term will also be Nursery's Number of the Week. Each week the children will be focusing on a different number and will be completing activities to help them, for example, to recognise the numeral and write it. There will be Number booklets to complete at home so the children can practise what they have learnt.

Reception

The Reception classes have a very busy and interesting term ahead. Our topic for the next few weeks is the Arctic and other cold places. We will be using maps to identify cold places on earth, and we will be learning about the animals that inhabit such places. We will be enjoying many texts including stories, non-fiction, poems and songs. In phonics sessions we move on to using the sounds we have learnt so far to write words independently. We are continuing to work more deeply with numbers to 10 which involves lots of practical activities. Our provision in class have been updated and each class can now visit The Hot Chocolate Cafe in the role play area!

KS1 – Year 1 and Year 2

We are really looking forward to the many exciting lessons we will be completing this term. Our Mastery Maths learning will continue and the children will deepen their understanding of new mathematical concepts. In our Phonic lessons, we will be working hard on segmenting and blending. This will improve our ability to read words with automaticity. In English we have chosen some wonderful texts to enrich our children and develop their love for reading and writing. We are sure the children will enjoy our other subjects this term. We will be travelling back in time again, but this time to the Victorian era and the Crimean War where our focus will be on Florence Nightingale. We will look at how hospitals and nurses have changed over time. Our Science lessons will focus on materials. We will explore the properties of objects and why they are made from the materials they are. Children will continue to develop their core skills in PSHE, Music, Computing, PE and Art.

KS2a – Year 3 and Year 4

This term will be a wonderful learning experience for the children in KS2a. We have so many exciting lessons planned and we will be using some fantastic texts. Greek mythology will be our first focus in English. The children will be able to join Perseus in his battle to defeat Medusa, discover how Arachne was destined to spend her life as a spider and accompany Jason on his voyage to find the Golden Fleece. We will then be using the book, 'The Story of Tutankhamun,' by Patricia Cleveland-Peck, to learn about the discovery of the Boy King's tomb by Howard Carter and what King Tut's life was like. In Maths we will continue to use the mastery approach to help children gain a deep understanding of new mathematical concepts and further consolidate those already learnt. The children use a range of resources to support their learning which enables them to visualise difficult concepts. 'The Malamander' by Thomas Taylor will be our class novel – a mystery story set in Eerie-in-Sea, where nothing is as it seems! This book is swirling with secrets and myths waiting to be explored by the children. Be sure to ask your children for regular updates. We are sure the children will enjoy the foundation lessons too. In History we will be learning about the Romans and the impact they had on Britain. The Science focus will be Forces and Magnets after which we will study Rocks and Fossils. This will then be linked to Art lessons where children will use fossils as their inspiration to draw patterns before creating their own model of a fossil. Music lessons will be full of singing, composing and improvising underpinned with the theme 'How Does Music Make the World a Better Place.'

KS2b – Year 5 and Year 6

We have jumped straight into our first novel of the term – The Templeton Twins Have an Idea – and the children have produced some wonderful pieces of writing already. Further novels to be studied this term are Boy in the Tower and The Invention of Hugo Cabret. Our Maths lessons will cover a range of topics including place value, multiplication and division, 2d and 3d shapes as well as fractions; continued **practise** will see us moving towards mastering many mathematical skills. Forces will be our new topic in Science; we will be completing a range of investigations into water resistance, air resistance, friction, gears, mechanisms and gravity. In History, we will begin delving into the Ancient Egyptian period; we will begin by looking at the lifestyle of this ancient civilisation as well as studying the importance of the River Nile, the Pyramids and key historical people from this period. We will be starting a new topic of Hinduism in our RE lessons. All of our lessons will stem

from our key question - what might Hindus learn from stories about Krishna? The children will learn about the importance of Krishna as well as the festival of Holi. The focus of our Art lessons will be Anthropomorphic Animal Paintings as we develop the artistic skills of drawing, collage and sculpture.

P.E. Timetables – January 2022



Class	Games	PE
1C	Thursday	Tuesday
1R	Friday	Thursday
2B	Wednesday	Friday
2M	Thursday	Monday
2C	Tuesday	Wednesday
3M	Thursday	Wednesday
3D	Wednesday	Monday
3-4t	Monday	Wednesday
4C	Wednesday	Monday
4J	Monday	Thursday
5R	Tuesday	Swimming on Thursday
5E	Friday	Swimming on Thursday
5-6M -Year 5	Friday	Swimming on Thursday PE on Tuesday
5-6M -Year 6	Friday	Tuesday
6S	Tuesday	Friday
6T	Monday	Tuesday

Term Dates – Spring Term



Monday January 24	Individual Photographs
Friday February 11	School closes for half-term
Monday February 21	School opens
Friday April 01	School closes for Spring Holiday
Wednesday April 20	School opens
Monday May 02	School closed for Bank Holiday
Friday May 27	School closes for half-term
Tuesday June 07	School opens
Wednesday July 20	School closes for the Summer Holiday

Sports Events at Holland Moor



Friday 14th January - Lancs Football Finals (Fleetwood)

Tuesday 18th January - Yr 1&2 Multi Skills

Monday 24th January - WLSP Sportshall Athletics

Tuesday 1st February - Yr 5&6 Basketball

Monday 7th February - Yr 6 Football vs St Thomas (Liverpool Echo Sheild 2nd Round)

No Dodgeball club or Girls Football on Friday 14th January due to the sports team being in Fleetwood attending the Lancashire Football finals with the school teams.

School Clubs – Most clubs start this week.

KS1 is Year 1 and Year 2. KS2a is Year 3 and Year 4. KS2b is Year 5 and Year 6

KS2 means the club is open to Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6.



Monday - KS2b Football - ending at 4

Monday – KS2a Fit Kidz – ending at 3.45

Wednesday - KS2a Football ending at 4

Wednesday – Year 2 and KS2 STEM Club using Google Classrooms – 3.45 to 4.30 (Starting Week 3)

Thursday - KS1 Football, ending at 3.45

Thursday – Year 2 to Year 6 Choir, ending at 3.45

Thursday - KS2 Netball ending at 4

Friday - KS2 Girls Football – ending at 3.45

Friday – KS2 Dodgeball – ending at 3.45 (a new finishing time)

Lunch Menu – January 2022 – Week 17



Monday January 10	Sausage Rolls served with Oven Chips	Beef Burger in a Bun with Oven Chips
	Vegan Sausage Rolls served with Oven Chips	Vegetable Burger served with Oven Chips
	Vegetables of the Day	
	Flapjack	Lemon Drizzle Cake and Custard
Tuesday January 11	Beef Spaghetti Bolognese	Quorn Spaghetti Bolognese
	Chicken Tikka Marsala served with Rice	Vegetables of the Day
	Orange and Carrot Cake	Custard Biscuits
Wednesday January 12	Chicken Pie served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Quorn Pie served with Mashed Potato and Gravy
	Beef Scouse served with Crusty Bread and Red Cabbage	Quorn Scouse served with Crusty Bread and Red Cabbage
	Cheese Pie	Vegetables of the Day
	Chocolate Sponge Cake and Peppermint Sauce	Oat and Raisin Cookies
Thursday January 13	Pork Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce served with Fusilli Pasta	Veggie Balls in a Tomato Sauce served with Fusilli Pasta
	Salmon and Broccoli Past Bake	Vegetables of the Day
	Assorted Cookies	Manchester Tart
Friday January 14	Meat Roast of the Day	Veggie Roast of the Day
	Ravioli in a Tomato Sauce served with Garlic Bread	Vegetables of the Day
	Harvest Fruit Cake and Custard	Rice Crispie Slice

Milk, Juice or Water are available each day.

Additional alternatives available every day include fresh fruit, cheese and crackers, ice cream, yogurts, salads, wraps, baguettes, sandwiches and jacket potatoes with assorted fillings.

And Finally...

Here's wishing you a great weekend MIKE BEALE 08/01/2022

To:

● 8033, head

Reminder for all nursery children

As the winter is well and truly here, please can you make sure your child has a hat, gloves, scarf and warm coat for each nursery session, as we will be exploring in the outdoor area. Please can you also make sure your child brings wellingtons with them so we can make the most of the wetter or snowy times too.

2Yo Curriculum Update

This half term the 2Yo children will be listening to a variety of traditional tales. There will be lots of storytelling and role play taking place.

The nursery staff will be encouraging the children to use their knowledge of colour when talking about objects and characters. The children this week have met Little Red Riding Hood and the Big Bad Wolf. Some good recall of previous colour work.

Children are continuing to develop their communication and language skills nicely, supported through sensory exploration, effective modelling and repetition.

Next week they will meet Goldilocks and The Three Bears and explore the porridge using a range of senses. "I can't wait to watch their faces as they touch and taste!"

Let me know if you need anything else.

Laura